Evasion of Property Tax

4088. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware of the large scale evasion of property tax on account of under statement of the value of the property; and
- (b) why Government are not enforcing their own guidelines of Area Based Property Tax Model to stop the evasion of property tax?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): : (a) and (b) For the purpose of taxation, the properties of various categories are assessed by the Urban Local Bodies on the basis of methods prescribed in the concerned municipal laws. As far as Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation is concerned, no information is available about large scale evasion of property tax on account of under estimate of the value of the properties. Keeping in view the fact that the various methods of calculation of property tax adopted by Urban Local Bodies need review to make them simple and scientific, the Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation has prepared and issued guidelines to all State Government/Union Territories for taking necessary follow up action by Urban Local Bodies. Since tax on lands and buildings is a State subject as per Entry 49 of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution, it is for the State Govt, to take necessary steps to bring the needed reforms in the property tax systems.

Setting up of industrial areas under Master Plan of Delhi

4089. SHRIMATI ABMIBA SONI: SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMETN AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Master Plan of Delhi contains a scheme for setting up 16 industrial areas for small-scale units;